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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 3 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.

43rd PLenary MEETING

General Assembly Hall

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)].

*Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157
(United Nations reform: measures and proposals)*

3 p.m.

10th meeting
(closed)

Conference Room 4

Continuation of the consideration of the actions contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950) and of the recommendations contained at the end of paras. 179 and 193. If time permits, beginning of the consideration of the recommendations contained at the end of paras. 222, 233, 234 and 241. Conference Room Papers A/52/CRP. 1, 2 and 3, the Informal List of Measures and Proposals of 7 October 1997, the "Secretariat response to comments and queries" of 21 October 1997 as well as the "Additional Secretariat response to comments and queries" of 28 October 1997 were made available to members during the previous informal consultations.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 13th meeting Conference
Room 4

Exchange of views on agenda item 83 (Rationalization of work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m. 10th meeting Conference
Room 3

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [85] (A/52/20, A/52/307)

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE ON
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE
PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

Afternoon*-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 3

* Following the adjournment of the 10th meeting of the Fourth Committee.

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 27th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

3 p.m. 28th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

1. Sectoral policy questions [96]

(b) Business and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.13

2. Sustainable development and international economic co-
operation [97] (A/52/92, A/52/112, A/52/139, A/52/153-S/
1997/384, A/52/163, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/
52/318, A/52/432, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/
514-S/1997/815)

(g) Women in development (A/52/300, A/52/345, A/52/
413)

(h) Human resources development (A/52/413, A/52/540)

Introduction and general discussion

Afternoon* informal consultations Conference
6 p.m. (closed) Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/
52/L.4 (item 95 (a)) and A/C.2/52/L.8 (item 95 (d))

* Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference
Room 1

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107] (A/52/12 and Add.1, A/52/273, A/52/274 and Corr.1, A/52/360, A/52/97, A/52/116-S/1997/37).

Dialogue with the High Commissioner

General discussion.

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 24th meeting Conference
Room 1

1. Social development, including questions relating to the
world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons
and the family [102]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.11/Rev.1

2. Crime prevention and criminal justice [103]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.22 and L.23

Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.4 to L.8

3. International drug control [104]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.14 and Corr.1

4. Advancement of women [105]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [106]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.18, L.20/Rev.1 and L.21

Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.17 and L.19

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107] (A/52/12 and Add.1, A/52/273, A/52/274 and Corr.1, A/52/360, A/52/97, A/52/116-S/1997/37).

Continuation of the general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 19th meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Joint Inspection Unit [118] (A/51/34, A/52/34, A/51/559 and Corr.1, A/52/206 and A/52/267)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. I), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 (Chapter II, Parts I-II))

Overall policy-making, direction and coordination (Part I, Section 1); Political affairs (Part I, Section 2); Peace-keeping (Part II, Section 3); Outer space (Part II, Section 4)

General discussion

3. Pattern of conferences [119]

Conclusion of general discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 20th meeting Conference
Room 2

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147] (A/52/10)

WORKING GROUP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARTER PROVISIONS ON ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS

Afternoon*-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 10

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 10

Subjects

1. Conditions of service for the judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
2. Selection and appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting 633 Third Avenue
(Room 27-96)

2.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting 633 Third Avenue
(Room 27-96)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

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SECOND AND THIRD COMMITTEES

There will be a joint Second and Third Committee informal briefing by Ms. Carol Bellamy, Executive Director of UNICEF, on the issue of "Children and Development: Challenges for the Future" on Monday, 3 November 1997 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Third Committee on the draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women on Monday, 3 November 1997, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Bureau of the Committee on Information on Monday, 3 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Room S-1027.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Copies of the revised non-paper prepared by the Secretariat on preparations for the forty-second session of the Commission on the Status of women are available for delegations at the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC 2-1250).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the
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Monday, 3 November 1997

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

DRAFTING GROUP ON PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY AND PEACE MAKING

9.30 a.m. -
11.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on items 96 (a), 95 (c), 97 (c) and (d) and 95 (b))

1.30 p.m.
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

Briefing

There will be a meeting of the Group of Friends and other interested countries on the activities of the Independent World Commission on the Oceans on Monday, 3 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Mr. Mario Soares, former President of Portugal, will hold a briefing.

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

WORKING GROUP ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

11.30 a.m. -
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (on UNIFEM)

1.15 p.m.
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 4 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 44th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fourth annual report of the International Tribunal (A/52/375) [49].
2. University for Peace: draft resolution (A/52/L.10) [26].

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 11th meeting Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Afternoon* informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

3 p.m. 29th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 25th meeting Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 26th meeting Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 20th meeting Conference Room 3

3 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 2

3 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 2

Afternoon* informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 2

WORKING GROUP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARTER PROVISIONS ON ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS

Morning** closed meeting Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

There will be a panel discussion on "Financial and Development Issues in Emerging Markets" on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Mr. Rafeuddin Ahmed, Associate Administrator of UNPD, will serve as moderator. This is the third in a series of keynote addresses and panel discussions for the Second Committee, organized, in part, with the support of the United Nations University.

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The 1997 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, at 10 a.m. and on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: 963-2320 or 5973; fax No.: 963-5935). The list of speakers will open until Monday, 3 November 1997.

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The Committee on Relations with the Host Country will meet on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8, to consider a draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2).

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The 232nd meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panelists to participate in the forty-second session of the Commission (2-13 March 1998). The topics of the panels will be: (1) women and armed conflict; (2) human rights of women; (3) the girl child; and (4) violence against women.

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United Nations Children's Fund

An intersessional meeting on budget matters of UNICEF will be held on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

There will be a meeting of the Arab Group (*at the ambassadorial level*) on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French language Workshop on the structure and drafting of the United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York on the following dates: Wednesday, 5 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 6 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives on 20 October 1997. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

Panel

A panel on "Consequences of and policy responses to below-replacement fertility", organized by the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in conjunction with its Expert Group Meeting on Below-Replacement Fertility, will be held on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A. The panel will be comprised of Professor Antonio Golini of the University of Rome, Dr. Britta Hoem of Statistics Sweden, Dr. Zhenghua Jiang, Deputy Minister and Professor of the State Family Planning Commission of China, Dr. Elise Jones of Princeton University and Professor Sergei Zahkarov of the Russian Institute of Economic Forecasting, and will be moderated by Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director of the Population Division, DESA. Members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations, members of the press and staff members are invited to attend.

Informal presentation

Mr. Richard Feachem, Director of the Health, Nutrition and Population Team, and Mr. Alex Preker, Principal Economist of the Human Development Department, will make an informal presentation on "World Bank Strategies for Human Development" on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation is organized by the World Bank. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations, agencies and the press are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 30 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

41st plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Georgia and Qatar.

Since two seats from among the Asian States, one seat from among the Eastern European States and one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the General Assembly proceeded to a third round of balloting restricted to the countries which had obtained the largest number of votes in the second round of balloting and which had maintained their candidature, namely India (111), Malaysia (94) and Oman (83) from among the Asian States, Poland (98) from among the Eastern European States, and Peru (99) and Guatemala (78) from among the Latin American and Caribbean States.

The results of the third round of balloting (second restricted ballot) were as follows:

	<i>Votes</i>
India	121
Oman	104
Malaysia	100
Poland	158
Peru	91
Guatemala	76

On the third round of balloting (second restricted ballot), having obtained the required two-thirds majority, India and Poland were elected members of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998.

The representative of Malaysia made a statement.

Since one seat from among the Asian States and one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the General Assembly proceeded to a fourth round of balloting restricted to the countries which had obtained the largest number of votes in the second round of balloting and which had maintained their candidature, namely Oman (104) from among the Asian States, and Peru (91) and Guatemala (76) from among the Latin American and Caribbean States.

The results of the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot) were as follows:

	<i>Votes</i>
Oman	163
Peru	92
Guatemala	78

On the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot), having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Oman was elected a member of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998.

The Assembly decided, on the proposal by the President, to postpone the balloting for the seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to Monday, 3 November 1997, at a time to be announced.

Friday, 31 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

42nd plenary meeting

Towards a culture of peace [156]:

- (a) *Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (A/52/292);*
- (b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.4).*

The representative of Bangladesh made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.4.

Statements were made by the representatives of Panama, Myanmar, Fiji, the Philippines, El Salvador, Côte d'Ivoire, Paraguay, Ecuador, Namibia, Cuba, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Barbados, Colombia, Senegal, Romania, Benin, Peru, the Russian Federation, Tunisia and Guinea-Bissau.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg, Bangladesh, Costa Rica, Swaziland and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Members were informed that action on draft resolution A/52/L.4 was postponed to a later day to be announced.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

25th meeting

The Committee heard an address by Professor Herman B. Leonard, from Harvard University on "Building strategies for public policies in a globalizing environment".

Sectoral policy questions [96]

(c) Food and sustainable agricultural development

The Committee began consideration of the item.

An introductory statement was made on behalf of the Director-General of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Cyprus aligned themselves with this statement), the Russian Federation, Guyana, Uruguay (also on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile and Paraguay), China, Senegal, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Norway.

A statement was made by the observer for the Holy See.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme.

26th meeting

Sectoral policy questions [96]

(c) Food and sustainable agricultural development

The Committee continued consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Botswana and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on agenda item 96 (c).

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat)

The Committee began consideration of the item.

The Acting Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Cyprus aligned themselves with this statement), the Russian Federation, Kenya, Turkey, the United States, Japan, Lithuania and Ukraine.

The representative of the United Nations Children's Fund made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on agenda item 97 (c).

Operational activities for development [99]

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.7

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of South Africa introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(a) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.11

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.12

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Organization of work

The representative of Peru made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE

21st meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [108]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Viet Nam, Mongolia, Turkmenistan, the Niger, Tunisia, the Sudan, Afghanistan, Canada, Ethiopia, Pakistan, Uruguay, the Republic of Korea, Bahrain and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Labour Organization.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement in which he reminded delegations of the forthcoming informal briefings scheduled together with the Second Committee on 3 and 13 November. He also invited the Committee's attention to a letter received on 30 October from the Chairman of the Fifth Committee regarding the role of that Committee and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in administrative and budgetary matters.

22nd meeting

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Israel, Monaco, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation, China, Morocco, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Kenya, India, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, the Philippines, Venezuela, Yemen, Thailand and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the item.

Right of reply

The representatives of Armenia and Azerbaijan made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement regarding the status of documentation.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

18th meeting

Other matters

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to two letters addressed to him, one from the Secretary-General issued in document A/C.5/52/12, and the other to a letter dated 29 October 1997 from the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, which was circulated informally.

Joint Inspection Unit [118]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Cuba and Japan.

Pattern of conferences [119]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, Romania, Slovakia, Cyprus and Norway), China, the Bahamas, Kenya, the Syrian Arab Republic, Indonesia, the Russian Federation, Pakistan and Kuwait.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Chairman made a statement as to the procedure the Committee would follow regarding the consideration of the various sections of the proposed programme budget.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Cuba, the United States, Pakistan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Controller made a statement and replied to a question posed.

The representative of Latvia also made a statement.

Overall policy-making, direction and coordination

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the relevant part of the report of that Committee (A/52/7 (Chapter II, Part I).

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand and the United States.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the programme of work for the week of 3-7 November.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

19th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147]

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, China, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, the United States, the United Kingdom and France.

The Chairman made a statement.

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11 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room
Programme of work		
Central African Republic (S/1997/828)		
Other matters		

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1997 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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1. Opening of the Pledging Conference
2. Election of officers of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities
3. Statements regarding pledges (A/CONF.182/1, A/CONF.180/2 and Corr.1, E/1997/65/Add.4)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 44th PLenary MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fourth annual report of the International Tribunal (A/52/375) [49].
2. University for Peace: draft resolution (A/52/L.10) [26].

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157 (United Nations reform: measures and proposals)

3 p.m. 11th meeting
(closed) Conference Room 4

Statement by the Secretary-General.

Consideration of the actions contained in the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 14th meeting Conference
Room 4

Exchange of views on agenda item 83 (Rationalization of work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Tokelau, Turks and Caicos Islands and United States Virgin Islands: draft resolution (A/52/23 (Part VI), chap. X, para. 20)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. informal consultations
(closed) Conference
Room 6

Afternoon*-
6 p.m. informal consultations
(closed) Conference
Room 6

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 11th meeting Conference
Room 3

1. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [85] (A/52/20; A/52/307)
2. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/52/L.10 (item 97 (i)); A/C.2/52/L.11 (item 97 (a)); and A/C.2/52/L.8 (item 95 (b))

* Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting of the Second Committee.

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 28th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

1. Panel discussion on "Financial and Development Issues in Emerging Markets" to be moderated by Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed, Associate Administrator of UNDP [The Panelists invited are: Mr. Ariel Buira, Member of the Board of Governors of the Banco Nacional of Mexico, Professor Linda Lim, Associate Professor of Business Administration and Director, Southeast Asia Business Program, University of Michigan, and Mr. Arjun Sengupta, Member of the Indian Planning Commission. This is the third in a series of keynote addresses and panel discussions for the Second Committee, organized, in part, with the support of the United Nations University.]

2. Sustainable development and international economic co-operation [97]

(c) Population and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.15

- (d) International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.14

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 25th meeting Conference
Room 1

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 26th meeting Conference
Room 1

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107] (A/52/12 and Add.1, A/52/273, A/52/274 and Corr.1, A/52/360, A/52/97, A/52/116-S/1997/37)

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 20th meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Pattern of conferences [119] (A/52/32 and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. I), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 (Chapter II, Parts II-IV))

Political affairs (Part II section 2)

Peacekeeping operations and special missions (Part II section 3)

Peaceful uses of outer space (Part II section 4)

International Court of Justice (Part III section 5)

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Crime control (Part IV section 14)

International drug control (Part IV section 15)

General discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. informal consultations Conference
Room 5 (closed)

Informal consultations on agenda item 119 (Pattern of conferences (A/52/32 and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARTER PROVISIONS ON ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS

10 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 21st meeting Conference
Room 2

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147] (A/52/10)

SIXTH COMMITTEE

Afternoon*- informal consultations Conference
6 p.m. (closed) Room 2

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the international criminal court

* Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- Conference
1 p.m. closed meeting Room 10

3 p.m.- Conference
6 p.m. closed meeting Room 10

Subject

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 633 Third Avenue
1 p.m. closed meeting (Room 27-96)

2.30 p.m.- 633 Third Avenue
6 p.m. closed meeting (Room 27-96)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Intersessional meeting

3 p.m.- Economic and Social
6 p.m. closed meeting Council Chamber

Budget matters of UNICEF

ANNOUNCEMENT

Copies of the revised non-paper prepared by the Secretariat on preparations for the forty-second session of the Commission on the Status of women are available for delegations at the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC 2-1216).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 4 November 1997

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (on the implementation and follow-up of the World Summit for Social Development)

9.30 a.m. Conference
10.30 a.m. closed meeting Room 8

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.- Conference
6 p.m. closed meeting Room 7

JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND THE GROUP OF 77

10 a.m. - Economic and Social
1 p.m. closed meeting Council Chamber

The meeting of the Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level) scheduled for today, 4 November 1997, has been postponed until Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 11.15 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

CENTRAL AMERICAN GROUP

11 a.m. - Conference
1 p.m. closed meeting Room 9

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.27 on small arms today, 4 November 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

GROUP OF 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30 p.m. Conference
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on items 96 (a) and (b) and 95 (b))

1.45 p.m. Conference
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Room 7

GROUP OF 77 (Briefing by the Director of the United Nations Staff College Project of the ILO)

3.30 p.m. Conference
6 p.m. closed meeting Room 8

Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Wednesday, 5 November 1997

Fifty-second session

Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [30]:

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/342 and Corr. 1 and Add. 1);
- (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.11).

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)].

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 4

**SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)**

3 p.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 29th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 27th meeting Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 28th meeting Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 3

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
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SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
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3 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 2

Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
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* Following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

There will be a briefing by Ms. Angela King, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, on the issue of "Gender mainstreaming: A Challenge to Business as Usual?" on Friday, 7 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

There will be a briefing by Mr. Hama Diallo, Executive Secretary of the Permanent Secretariat of the Convention on Desertification, on the results of the First Conference of the Parties on Desertification on Thursday, 6 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. A representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development will also address the briefing. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

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The Committee on Relations with the Host Country will meet on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Question of privileges and immunities
2. Draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2)
3. Other matters

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The 232nd meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 11 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room B.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French language Workshop on the structure and drafting of the United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York on the following dates: Wednesday, 5 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 6 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives on 20 October 1997. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

Panel

A panel on "Consequences of and policy responses to below-replacement fertility", organized by the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in conjunction with

its Expert Group Meeting on Below-Replacement Fertility, will be held on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A. The panel will be comprised of Professor Antonio Golini of the University of Rome, Dr. Britta Hoem of Statistics Sweden, Dr. Zhenghua Jiang, Deputy Minister and Professor of the State Family Planning Commission of China, Dr. Elise Jones of Princeton University and Professor Sergei Zahkarov of the Russian Institute of Economic Forecasting, and will be moderated by Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director of the Population Division, DESA. Members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations, members of the press and staff members are invited to attend.

Informal presentation

Mr. Richard Feachem, Director of the Health, Nutrition and Population Team, and Mr. Alex Preker, Principal Economist of the Human Development Department, will make an informal presentation on "World Bank Strategies for Human Development" on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation is organized by the World Bank. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations, agencies and the press are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 3 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

43rd plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)]

Since one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a fifth round of balloting (first unrestricted ballot).

The results of the fifth round of balloting (first unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Peru	71
Saint Lucia	55
Guatemala	46

As none of these countries had obtained the required majority, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a sixth round of balloting (second unrestricted ballot).

Statements on a point of order were made by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda, Guatemala and Swaziland.

The results of the sixth round of balloting (second unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Peru	76
Saint Lucia	65
Guatemala	27

As none of these countries had obtained the required majority, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a seventh round of balloting (third unrestricted ballot).

The results of the seventh round of balloting (third unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Saint Lucia	89
Peru	78

The results of the seventh round of balloting (third unrestricted ballot) being still inconclusive, the President announced that, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, the Assembly would have to proceed to a series of restricted ballots.

The Assembly decided, on the proposal by the President, to postpone the balloting for the seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to a later date to be announced.

Corrigendum to the summary of the 42nd plenary meeting of the General Assembly (see Journal No. 1997/212, p. 9): the following should be added to the summary of the meeting:

Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission: financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/547) [123 and 159]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/52/547) (resolution 52/8).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 123 and 159.

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/543) [133]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/543).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 133.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

13th meeting

Exchange of views on agenda item 83 (Rationalization of work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

A statement was made by the Chairman. Statements were also made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union), Japan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Canada.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND
DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE
(FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [85]

The Chairman made an opening statement during the course of which he drew attention to the report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, contained in document A/52/20, as well as the report of the Secretary-General contained in document A/52/307.

The representative of India, Chairman of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, introduced the report of the Committee (A/52/20).

The Committee began its general debate and heard a statement by the representative of Luxembourg, who spoke on behalf of the European Union, as well as for the following associated countries: Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item today, at 6 p.m. the same day.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SECOND COMMITTEE

27th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(g) *Women in development*

(h) *Human resources development*

The Committee began its consideration of the item and had before it the documents listed in the *Journal*.

Introductory statements were made by the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, and the Principal Officer of the Social Development and Poverty Elimination Division of UNDP.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Cyprus aligned themselves with this statement, as did Norway), the United States, the Russian Federation, China, Ghana, Slovakia, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Jamaica, Nepal, Israel, Colombia, Namibia (also on behalf of Angola, Botswana, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe), Egypt, Tunisia and Iraq.

Statements were made by the United Nations Development Fund for Women and the World Food Programme.

The representatives of Kuwait and Iraq made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on agenda item 97 (g) and (h).

Sectoral policy questions [96]

(b) *Business and development*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.13

The representative of the United States introduced the draft resolution.

THIRD COMMITTEE

23rd meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made an introductory statement and responded to a statement made by the representative of the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union, as well as Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Japan, the United States, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Norway, Côte d'Ivoire, Venezuela, Botswana (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community) and Ethiopia.

A statement was also made by the observer for the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

24th meeting

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [102]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.11/Rev.1

The representative of Mongolia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Cuba, Denmark, India, Mauritania, the Republic of Korea and Venezuela, introduced the draft resolution.

Crime prevention and criminal justice [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.22

The representative of Kenya, on behalf of the Group of African States, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.23

The representative of Italy, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Australia, Canada, France, Greece, the Republic of Moldova, San Marino and South Africa, introduced the draft resolution.

International drug control [104]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.14 and Corr.1

The representative of Mexico, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Albania, Armenia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Georgia, Guyana, Haiti, Iceland, Israel, Monaco, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, San Marino, Singapore and Uzbekistan, introduced the draft resolution.

Advancement of women [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Introduction of draft proposals**Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.18*

The representative of Canada, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Fiji, Germany, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Mozambique, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Samoa, San Marino, Singapore, the Sudan, Swaziland, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United Republic of Tanzania, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.20/Rev.1

The representative of the Philippines, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Burkina Faso, France, Guatemala, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.21

The representative of the Netherlands, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cuba, Cyprus, Ethiopia, India, Japan, Monaco, Mozambique, Panama, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Swaziland and the United States, introduced the draft resolution.

*Action on draft proposals**Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.17*

Israel joined in co-sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.19

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

Israel, Liberia, Malawi, Morocco, the Netherlands, Pakistan and Uruguay joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by representatives of the Sudan, the United Republic of Tanzania, Nigeria, Kyrgyzstan and Burundi.

The observer for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement on the organization of work. The Committee agreed to postpone the opening of agenda items 110 and 111 to Thursday, 6 November. The deadline for submission of draft proposals for those items would be Friday, 7 November, at 6 p.m.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

19th meeting

Joint Inspection Unit [118]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard a concluding statement by the Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit replied to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item and the Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would be held under the chairmanship of Prof. Erica-Irene Daes (Greece), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Controller responded to questions raised during previous meetings.

Overall policy-making, direction and coordination (Part I, section 1)

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Thailand, Cuba, Bangladesh, Pakistan and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of Part I, section 1, on overall policy-making, direction and coordination.

Political affairs (Part II, section 2); Peacekeeping (Part II, section 3); Outer space (Part II, section 4)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the relevant part of the report of that Committee (A/52/7 (Chapter II, Part II)).

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination also introduced the relevant part of the report of that Committee (A/52/16 and Add.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Romania, the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Cyprus), Canada, Bangladesh, Paraguay (on behalf of the Rio Group), Norway, Thailand, the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran, New Zealand, Cuba, Portugal, Hungary, the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, China, India and Indonesia.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

20th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147]

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Malawi, Costa Rica, Cameroon, the Republic of Korea, Spain and Guatemala.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission, Professor Alain Pellet, introduced Chapter V of the Commission's report.

The Chairman made a statement.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Sixty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 1997

1636th (closed) meeting

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

1637th meeting

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee discussed various issues under this item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, concluded at Montego Bay, Jamaica, on 10 December 1982

*Ratification: Portugal (3 November 1997)**

Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 28 July 1994

*Ratification: Portugal (3 November 1997)**

Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 21 May 1997

Signature: Finland (31 October 1997)

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 5 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole
(closed) Consultation Room

Republic of the Congo

Briefing by Ambassador Mohamed Sahnoun, Special Envoy of the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity

Georgia (S/1997/827)

Central African Republic (S/1997/828 and S/1997/840)

Other matters

RESUMED TENTH EMERGENCY SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 6th plenary meeting of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly will be held on Thursday, 13 November 1997, at 10 a.m., to consider agenda item 5 (Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory) (A/ES-10/6 and Corr.1 (English only) and Add.1).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1997 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

10 a.m.-
1 p.m.

2nd meeting

Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Statements regarding pledges (A/CONF.182/1, A/CONF.180/2 and Corr.1, E/1997/65/Add.4 and Corr.1)
2. Adoption of the draft report (A/CONF.182/L.1)
3. Closure of the Conference

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.

45th PLENARY MEETING

General Assembly Hall

Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [30]:

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/342 and Corr. 1 and Add. 1);
- (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.11).

3 p.m.

46th PLENARY MEETING

General Assembly Hall

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)].

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m.

15th meeting

Conference
Room 4

Consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-82) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

Afternoon*-
6 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 12th meeting of the Fourth Committee.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.

12th meeting

Conference
Room 4

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [85] (A/52/20; A/52/307)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-
6 p.m.

29th meeting

Trusteeship
Council Chamber

Environment and sustainable development [98] (A/52/25, A/52/112, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/52/318, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/514-S/1997/815)

- (a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (A/52/3, A/52/413)

- (g) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21 (A/52/280, A/52/413)

Introduction and general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 21st meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [142]:

Consideration of and action on draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.4 (Death and disability benefits)

Consideration of and action on draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.7 (Third party liability: temporal and financial limitations)

Reform of the procedure for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment (A/51/967 and Corr.1-2 and A/52/410)

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. I), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 (Chapter II, Part IV))

Policy coordination and sustainable development (Part IV, section 7)

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General discussion

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [143] (A/51/432,

A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12)

Introduction and general discussion

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933 and A/52/339)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. II), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 (Chapter II, Part V))

Economic and social development in Africa (Part V, section 16)

Regional commission (Part V, section 16 A)

Regional Commissions New York Office (Part V, section 16 B)

Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific (Part V, section 17)

Economic development in Europe (Part V, section 18)

Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean (Part V, section 19)

Economic and social development in Western Asia (Part V, section 20)

Regular programme of technical cooperation (Part V, section 21)

General discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. informal consultations Conference
(closed) Room 6

Informal discussion on the International Law Commission

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference
Room 2

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session [147] (A/52/10)

COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH
THE HOST COUNTRY

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. 188th meeting Conference
Room 8

1. Question of privileges and immunities
2. Draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2)
3. Other matters

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF
THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF
THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	232nd meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
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UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
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2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
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THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Third Committee on the draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women *today*, 5 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
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3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
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Subject

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

ANNOUNCEMENT

Copies of the revised non-paper prepared by the Secretariat on preparations for the forty-second session of the Commission on the Status of women are available for delegations at the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC 2-1216).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 5 November 1997

GROUP OF 77 (on the United Nations reform)

11 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 5

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE (at the ambassadorial level)

11.15 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on items 96 (a) and 97 (i))

1.45 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social
Council Chamber

ZONE OF PEACE AND COOPERATION OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room A

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

DRAFTING GROUP ON PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY AND PEACE MAKING

3.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 1

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

4 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room B

United Nations Institute for Training and Research

FRENCH LANGUAGE WORKSHOP ON THE STRUCTURE AND DRAFTING OF THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *today*, 5 November 1997, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the General Assembly draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Social Summit *today*, 5 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Briefing

Mr. Michael Zammit Cutajar, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, will give an informal briefing for non-governmental organizations *today*, 5 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. in Conference Room D. Mr. Zammit Cutajar will speak on last week's meetings in Bonn and the preparations for the Kyoto Conference to be held in December.

Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 6 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 16th meeting Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 30th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

3 p.m. 31st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 27th meeting Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 28th meeting Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 3

3 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 2

Afternoon* informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 23rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

3 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

There will be a briefing by Ms. Angela King, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, on the issue of "Gender mainstreaming: A Challenge to Business as Usual?" on Friday, 7 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

There will be a briefing by Mr. Hama Diallo, Executive Secretary of the Permanent Secretariat of the Convention on Desertification, on the results of the First Conference of the Parties on Desertification on Thursday, 6 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. A representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development will also address the briefing. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

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The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the 1998 Programmes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will meet on Friday, 7 November 1997, at 10 a.m.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 11 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room B.

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations will be held on the draft resolution on agenda items 39 (b) and (c) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks; Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards) on Friday, 7 November 1997, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Panel

A panel on "Consequences of and policy responses to below-replacement fertility", organized by the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in conjunction with its Expert Group Meeting on Below-Replacement Fertility, will be held on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A. The panel will be comprised of Professor Antonio Golini of the University of Rome, Dr. Britta Hoem of Statistics Sweden, Dr. Zhenghua Jiang, Deputy Minister and Professor of the State Family Planning Commission of China, Dr. Elise Jones of Princeton University and Professor Sergei Zahkarov of the Russian Institute of Economic Forecasting, and will be moderated by Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director of the Population Division, DESA. Members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations, members of the press and staff members are invited to attend.

Informal presentation

Mr. Richard Feachem, Director of the Health, Nutrition and Population Team, and Mr. Alex Preker, Principal Economist of the Human Development Department, will make an informal presentation on "World Bank Strategies for Human Development" on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation is organized by the World Bank. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations, agencies and the press are invited to attend.

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution of the Third Committee on the strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization (item 112 (b)) on Thursday, 6 November 1997, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held on Friday and Saturday, 14 and 15 November 1997, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 4 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

44th plenary meeting

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fourth annual report of the International Tribunal (A/52/375) [49]

The General Assembly took note of the fourth annual report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

The President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), the Netherlands, Italy, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Croatia, Turkey, Malaysia, Pakistan, the United States, Costa Rica, Germany, Hungary and the Russian Federation.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 49.

University for Peace: draft resolution (A/52/L.10) [26]

The representative of Costa Rica made a statement in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/52/L.10.

Statements were made by the representatives of Colombia, Italy, Ecuador, Chile, Bangladesh, Nicaragua, Argentina and Uruguay.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.10 (resolution 52/9).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 26.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

14th meeting

Exchange of views on agenda item 83 (Rationalization of work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

Statements were made by the representatives of Colombia (on behalf of the Movement of the non-aligned countries), Australia,

Mexico, Algeria, South Africa, Indonesia, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, China and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

11th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [85]

The general debate continued with statements by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan, Ecuador, Nigeria and Kazakhstan.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Tokelau, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Special Committee of 24, made a statement in the course of which he introduced oral revisions to the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee adopted the oral revisions, as proposed by the Rapporteur of the Special Committee of 24, without a vote.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as a whole, as orally revised, without a vote.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew members' attention to the letter received from the Chairman of the Fifth Committee in document A/C.4/52/7.

The Chairman announced that, as scheduled on the programme of work, the next item for consideration would be agenda item 88 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping in all their aspects). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

SECOND COMMITTEE

28th meeting

The Chairman of the Committee declared the meeting open and the panel on "Financial and development issues in emerging markets" began. He invited Mr. Rafeuiddin Ahmed, Associate Administrator of UNDP, to serve as Moderator. The following panellists made statements: Mr. Ariel Buira, Member of the Board of Governors of the Banco Nacional de Mexico; Professor Linda Lim, Associate Professor of Business Administration and Director of the Southeast Asia Business Program of the University of Michigan; and Mr. Arjun Sengupta, Member of the Indian Planning Commission.

Questions were posed by the representatives of Indonesia, Nigeria, Brazil and Ethiopia to which the panellists responded.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(c) *Population and development**Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.15*

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(d) *International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development**Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.14*

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Organization of work

At the request of the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda items 96 (a) and 97 (e) was extended to Wednesday, 12 November, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE

25th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Georgia, Egypt, Brazil, Iraq, China, India, Canada, Liechtenstein, Argen-

tina, Thailand, New Zealand, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Djibouti, Liberia, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Kenya and Algeria.

Statements were also made by the observers for the Holy See and Switzerland.

A statement was also made by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

26th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made the representatives of Ghana, Cyprus, Rwanda, Morocco, Benin, Indonesia, Turkey, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Yemen, Croatia, Armenia, Malawi, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Pakistan and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

A statement was also made by the observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made concluding remarks.

Right of reply

The representatives of Azerbaijan and Afghanistan made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Committee then concluded its general discussion of the item.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement, reminding delegations of the agreement reached to cancel the Committee's meetings on 5 November and postpone the beginning of the general discussion of items 110 (Elimination of racism and racial discrimination) and 111 (Right of peoples to self-determination) to Thursday, 6 November. The deadline for submission of draft proposals under those items would be 6 p.m. on Friday, 7 November. The Committee would begin its consideration of sub-item 112 (a) (Human rights instruments) at 3 p.m. on Friday, 7 November and continue on Monday, 10 November, at 10 a.m.

The Secretary informed the Committee that, at 3 p.m. on Thursday, 6 November, the Committee would hear the introduction of the draft resolutions contained in documents A/C.3/52/L.15 and L.16 under item 105 (Advancement of women), and A/C.3/52/L.24 and L.25 under item 108 (Promotion and protection of the rights of children). Also on Thursday, the Committee would take action on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/52/L.11/Rev.1 under item 102 (Social development), documents A/C.3/52/L.4, L.6, L.7, L.8, L.22 and L.23 under item 103 (Crime prevention and

criminal justice). On Friday, 7 November, the Committee would take action at 10 a.m. on document A/C.3/52/L.14 under item 104 (Narcotic drugs) and on the drafts contained in documents A/C.3/52/L.15, L.16, L.18, L.20/Rev.1 and L.21 under item 105 (Advancement of women). If proposals under agenda item 107 (Report of the High Commissioner for Refugees) were ready, they would also be introduced on 7 November.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

20th meeting

Note: The summary of the 20th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/215).

SIXTH COMMITTEE

21st meeting

Note: The summary of the 21st meeting of the Sixth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/215).

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1997 UNITED NATIONS
PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR
DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

1st meeting

Opening of the Pledging Conference

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs opened the 1997 Pledging Conference for Development Activities and read out a message on behalf of the Secretary-General.

Election of officers

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs invited the Conference to proceed to the election of its President.

H.E. Mr. Jacob Botwe Wilmot (Ghana) was elected as President by acclamation.

Mr. Svetlozar Panov (Bulgaria) and H.E. Mr. Gerhard Henze (Germany) were elected as Vice-Presidents by acclamation.

The President made a statement.

Statements regarding pledges

Statements were made and pledges announced by members of the Conference.

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International Covenant on Civil
and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Sixty-first session

United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 1997

1638th and 1639th (closed) meetings

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the States Parties at their eighth meeting on 22 May 1995

Acceptance: Canada (3 November 1997)*

Convention on Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 21 February 1971

Accession: Viet Nam (4 November 1997)*

Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol of 25 March 1972 amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs 1961, done at New York on 8 August 1975

Accession: Viet Nam (4 November 1997)*

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 20 December 1988

Accession: Viet Nam (4 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Grains Trade Convention, 1995, concluded at London on 7 December 1994

Accession: Ecuador (4 November 1997)*

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction, opened for signature at Paris on 13 January 1993

Ratification: Islamic Republic of Iran (3 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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